One and a half years since Zetsubou... We've been eagerly waiting for this!
Kumeta Kouji's triumphant new series!!
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This guy, who has no idea of the trouble he'll get into later, is our main character.
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PAID HOLIDAY
CLICK
DEPENDING ON HOW YOU USE IT, TIME CAN BE BOTH GOLD AND LEAD.
- PRÉVOST

THE START OF A WONDERFUL TIME COMEDY.

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久米康治 KUMETA KOUJI'S TRIUMPHANT NEW SERIES!!

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Kumeta Kouji's new series!
We've KEPT you waiting long!
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It started 4 pages ago
I'M GOING TO MEET THE WORST CRIMINAL IN THIS WORLD.
A NOBLE-MAN?
MUST BE A NOBLE-MAN!
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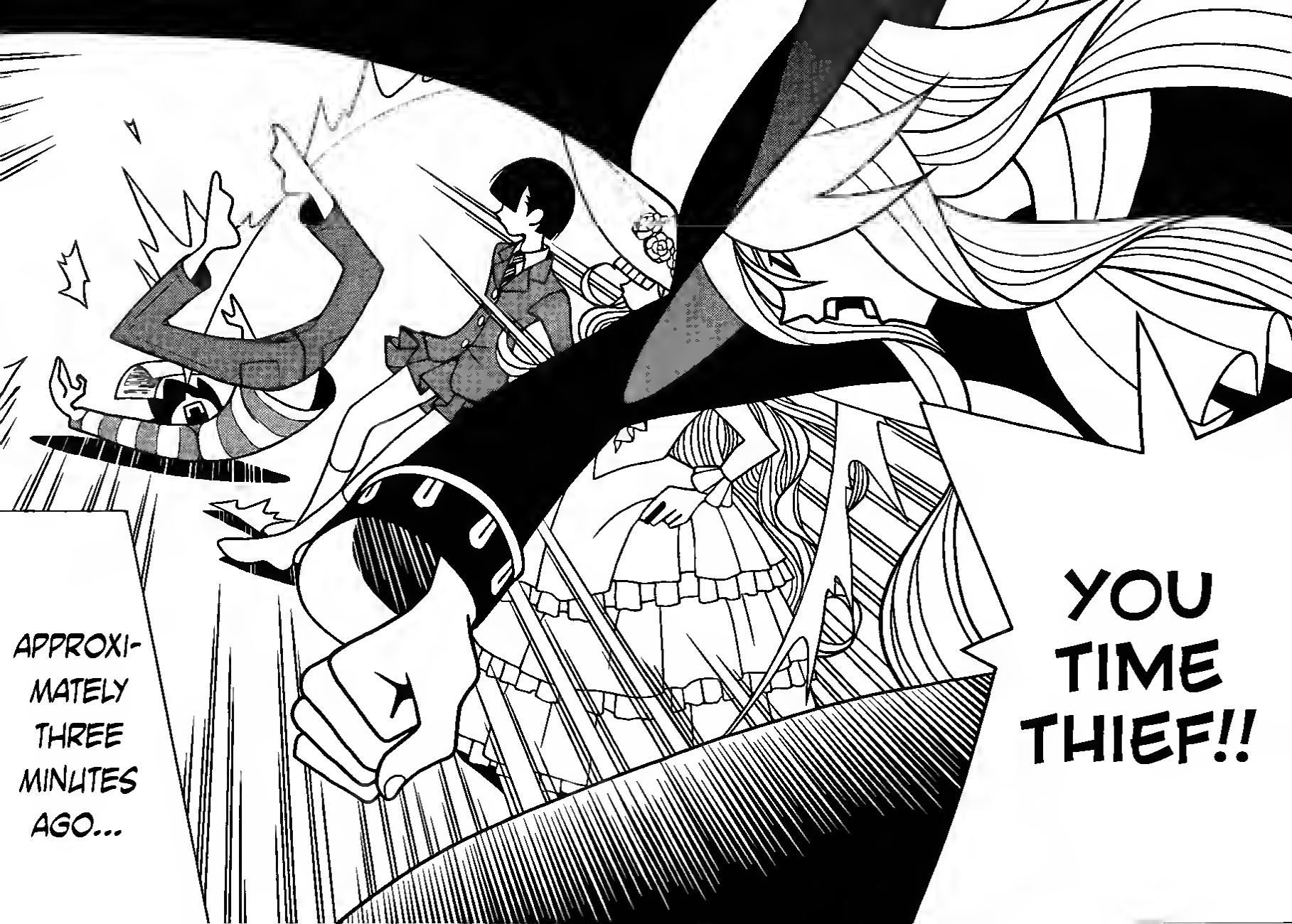
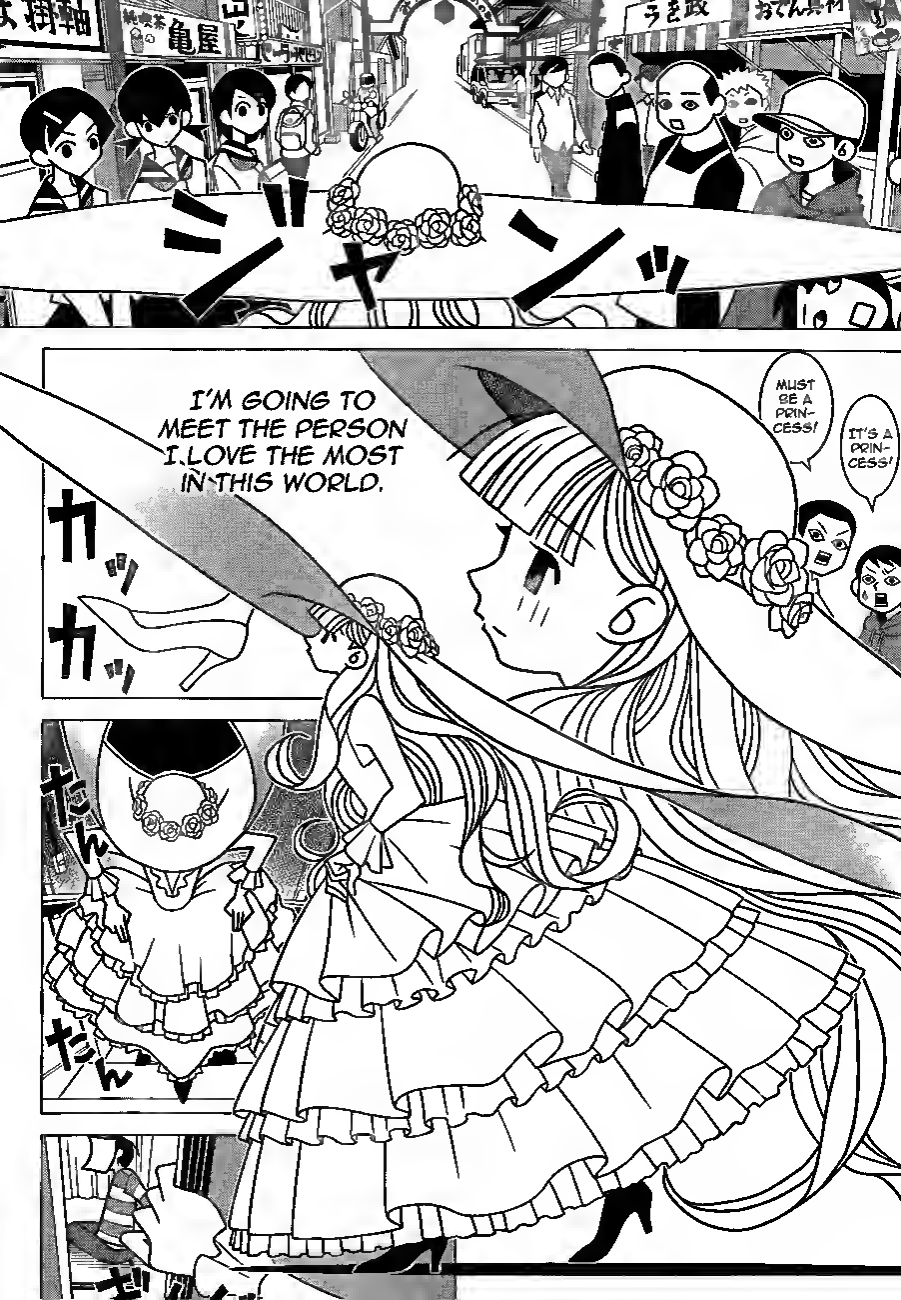

YOU TIME THIEF!!
APPROXI-MATELY THREE MINUTES AGO...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I'M GOING TO MEET THE PERSON I LOVE THE MOST IN THIS WORLD.
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IT'S A PRINCESS!
MUST BE A PRINCESS!
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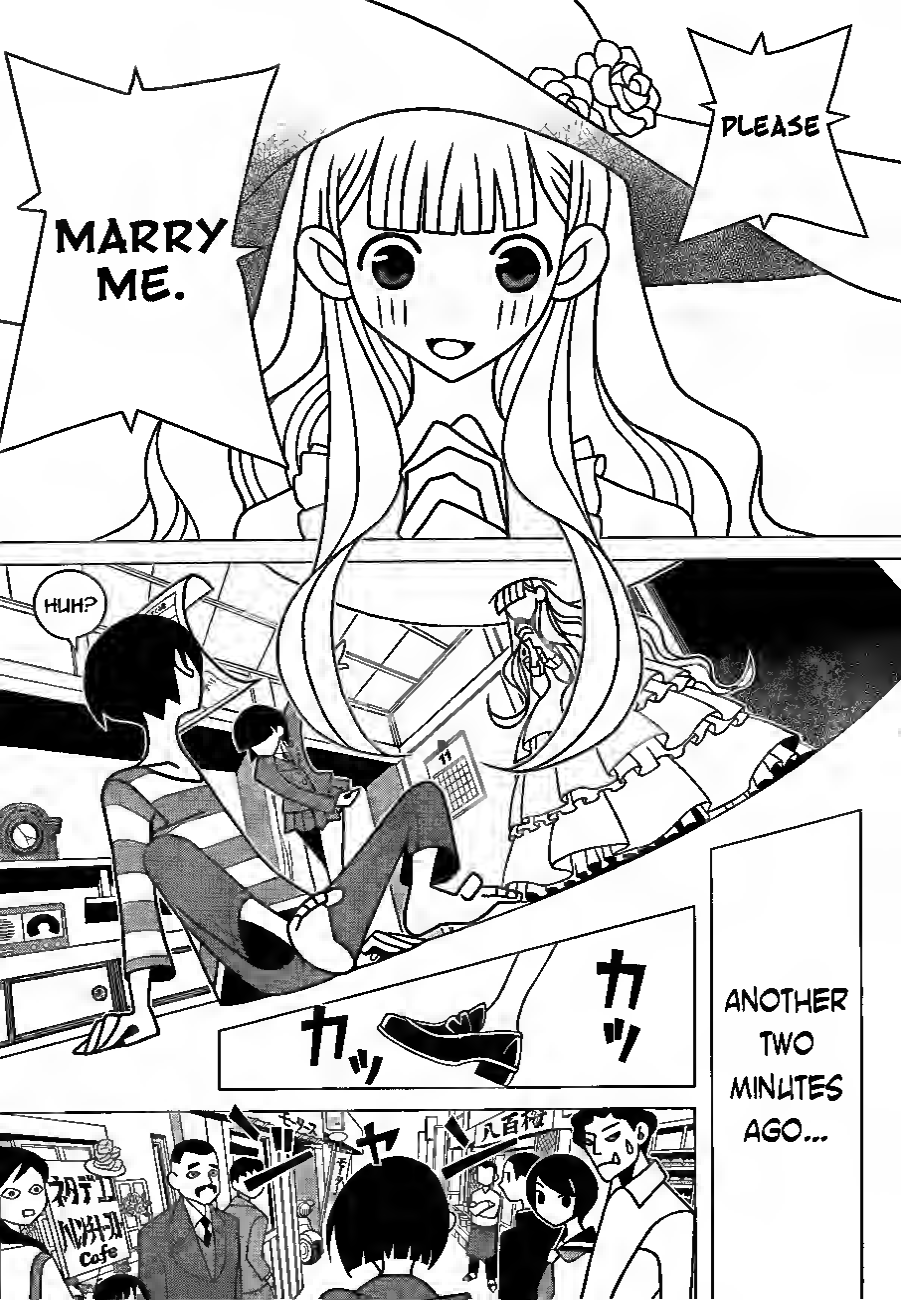
MARRY ME.
PLEASE
HUH?
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ANOTHER TWO MINUTES AGO...
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I'M GOING TO MEET THE GUY THAT IRRITATES ME THE MOST IN THIS WORLD.
IT'S MAGO-KORO-CHAN.
IT REALLY IS MAGO-KORO-CHAN.
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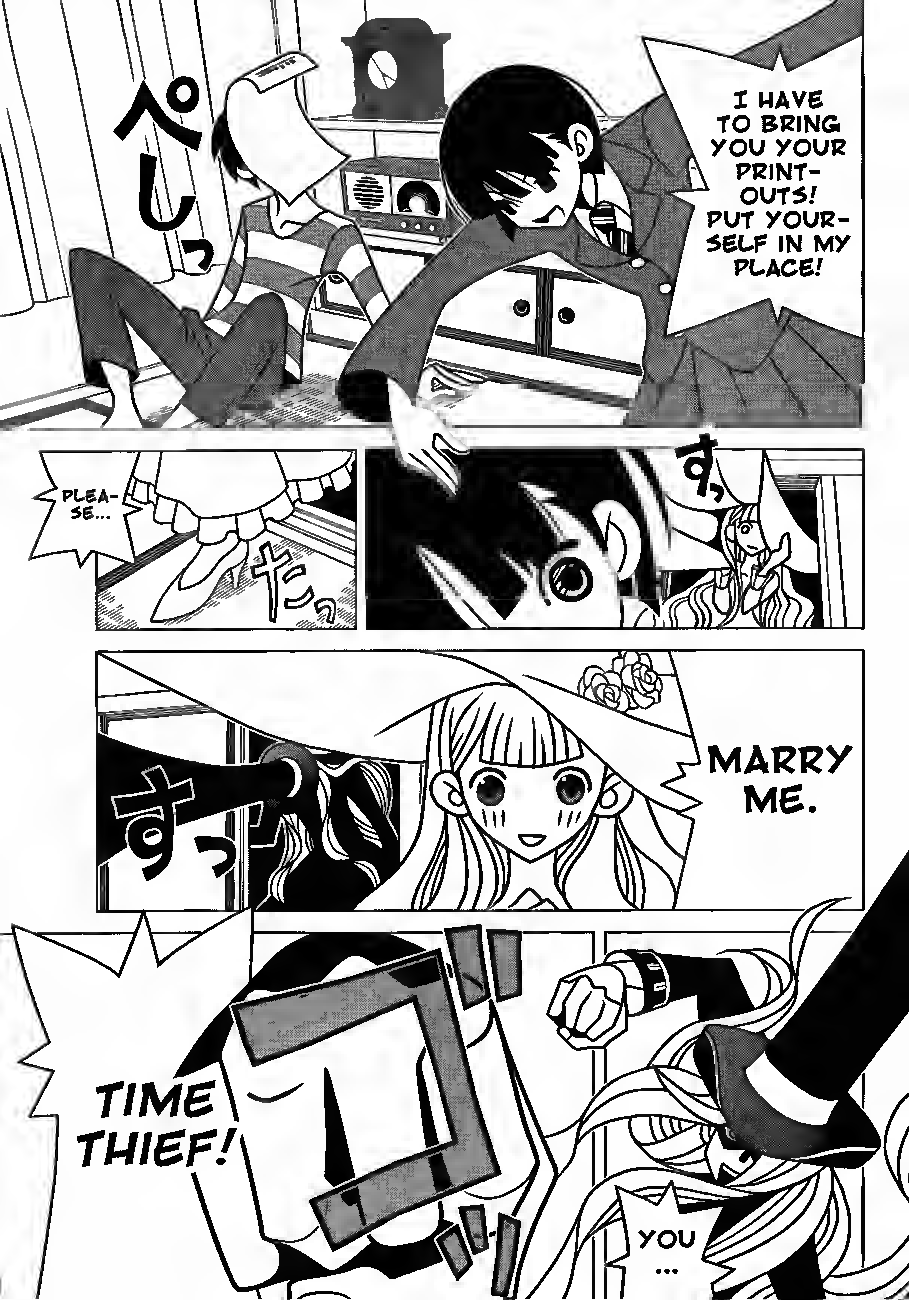
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU JUST NOT GOING TO SCHOOL
...EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE NOT SICK OR BEING BULLIED OR ANY-THING?


I HAVE TO BRING YOU YOUR PRINT-OUTS! PUT YOUR-SELF IN MY PLACE!
PLEA-SE...
MARRY ME.
TIME THIEF!
YOU ...

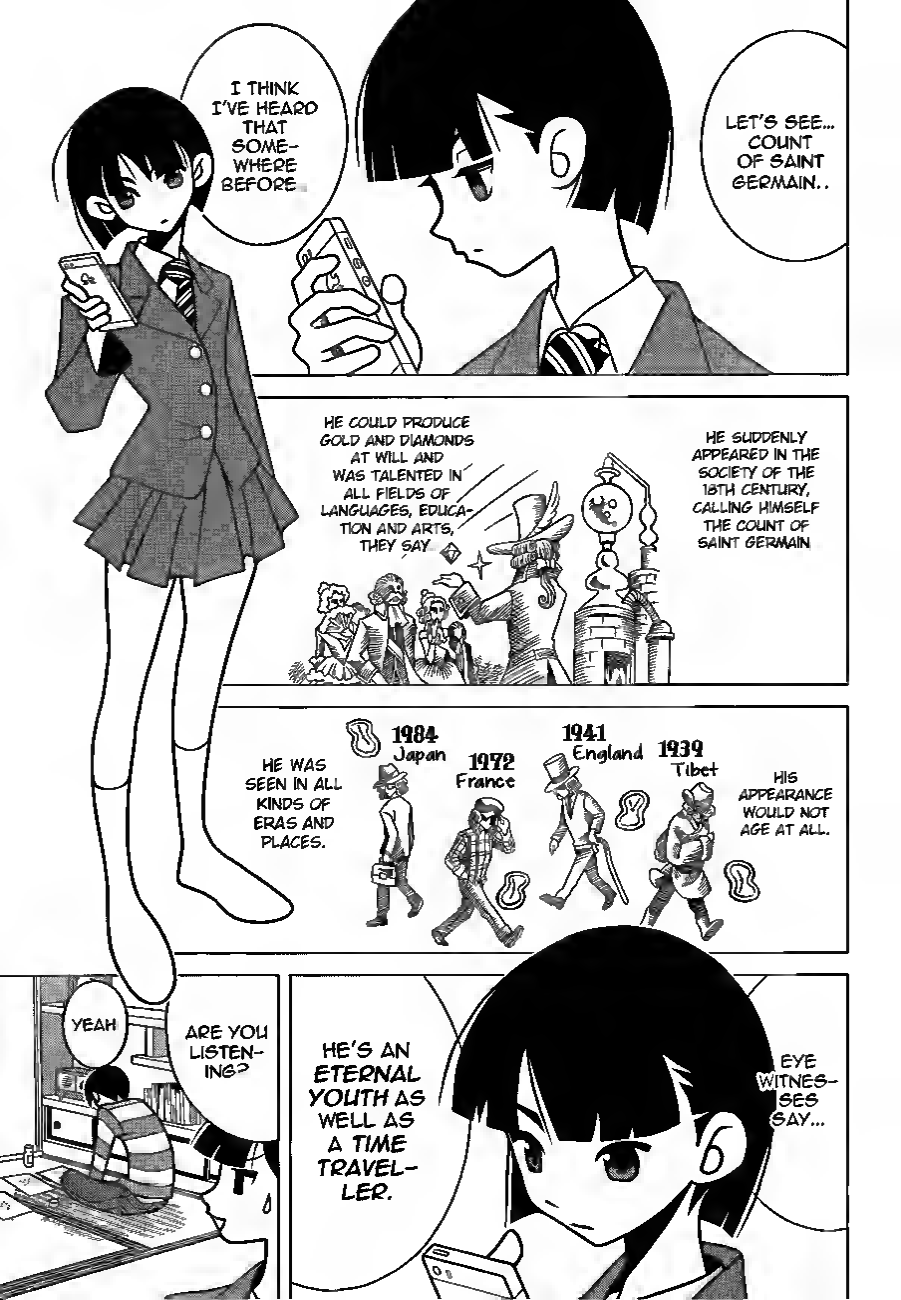
*These four are pretty much the characters this time.*

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ALL OF A SUDDEN!
WH-
...IS THE WORST CRIME TO US!
STEALING TIME...
THIS PERSON IS THE ONE I DEVOTED ALL OF MY YOUTH TO.
BROTHER, PLEASE STOP IT.
DON'T THINK IT WILL BE OVER WITH JUST BEING BEATEN UP
I'LL PUNISH YOU WITH THE MOST CRUEL METHOD THERE IS.
ARE YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE?
I DON'T GET WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, AND WHO...

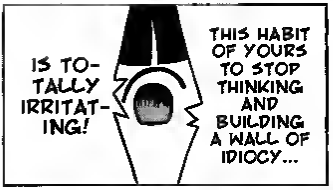
MY NAME IS...
COUNT OF SAINT GER-MAIN.
SAINT.. GER.. SO? WHAT KIND OF PERSON ARE YOU?
IT WOULD BE A WASTE OF TIME TO EXPLAIN THE DETAILS.
JUST USE THAT WHITE BOX OF YOURS...
AND GOOGLE IT, YOU PIECE OF TRASH!
I'LL COME BACK WHEN YOU'RE DONE LOOKING IT UP.
HE VAN-ISHED!
POSTED THE ECCENTRIC NAKED CLAN

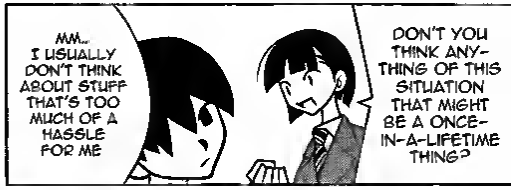
...SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY IMPATIENT GUY.
LET'S SEE
SAINT
WELL... I CAN JUST DO THIS LATER
PHEW.
OHHH!
NO!

JUST LOOK IT UP AL-READY, YOU PIECE OF TRASH!
AH... JUST WHEN I FINALLY HAD IT STAND.
IS THIS SOME SHOWA-ERA METHOD OF KILLING TIME OR WHAT?
LOOK IT UP AL-READY, DO YOU GET THAT?
Y- YES
I'LL BE BACK IN FIVE MINUTES.
MAN.. WHAT A HASSLE.
LOOK IT UP FOR ME, WOULD YA, MAGO?
GASP
HE VANISHED AGAIN.
S- SORRY!
MANY THINGS JUST HAP-PENED THAT I COULDN'T GRASP THE SITU-ATION.


I THINK I'VE HEARD THAT SOME-WHERE BEFORE
LET'S SEE... COUNT OF SAINT GERMAIN..
HE COULD PRODUCE GOLD AND DIAMONDS AT WILL AND WAS TALENTED IN ALL FIELDS OF LANGUAGES, EDUCA-TION AND ARTS, THEY SAY
HE SUDDENLY APPEARED IN THE SOCIETY OF THE 18TH CENTURY, CALLING HIMSELF THE COUNT OF SAINT GERMAIN
HE WAS SEEN IN ALL KINDS OF ERAS AND PLACES.
1984 Japan
1972 France
1941 England
1939 Tibet
HIS APPEARANCE WOULD NOT AGE AT ALL.
YEAH
ARE YOU LISTEN-ING?
HE'S AN ETERNAL YOUTH AS WELL AS A TIME TRAVEL-LER.
EYE WITNES-SES SAY...

*SHICHIMI IS A JAPANESE SPICE MIX. ORIGINALLY MADE WITH 7 INGREDIENTS





MM... I USUALLY DON'T THINK ABOUT STUFF THAT'S TOO MUCH OF A HASSLE FOR ME
DON'T YOU THINK ANYTHING OF THIS SITUATION THAT MIGHT BE A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME THING?

ON TOP OF THAT HILL..
"I DON'T WANT TO COME AGAIN AND SEE YOU STILL HAVEN'T LOOKED IT UP, SO COME TO MY MANSION WHEN YOU'RE DONE WITH IT", IT SAYS...
A MAP?
BUT HE DIDN'T.
HE SAID HE'D COME AFTER ANOTHER FIVE MINUTES.
HM?

HAS THAT HOUSE ALWAYS BEEN THERE?
Saint Germain
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HOW CAN THIS NOT BE A BAKERY !?
THAT'S THE THIRD PERSON TODAY
IT SEEMS THE NAME "SAINT GERMAIN" IS ASSOCI-ATED WITH BAKERIES AROUND HERE
I SEE.
YOUR SIGN IS TOO CON-FUSING.
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WE'RE NOT A BAKERY!
AGAIN ?
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AH.
WE LOOKED YOU UP, JUST LIKE YOU ASKED US TO
WE KNOW

I DON'T EAT THE SAME THINGS AS YOU THREE-DIMENSIONAL PEOPLE
THEN YOU SHOULD KNOW.
IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY...
ALL YOU CONSUME IS WATER, WHEAT AND A BIT OF A MIRACLE DRUG.
HM.
BY "MIRACLE DRUG", DO YOU MEAN "YEAST"?
AH.
THEN YOU COULD MAKE BREAD, COULDN'T YOU?
DID YOU REALLY LOOK IT UP PROPERLY?
SO YOU ARE A BAKERY AFTER ALL?
DIDN'T I ALREADY SAY I'M NOT.
OF COURSE YOU'RE SOME KIND OF MYSTERY MAN, AREN'T YOU
BUT...

COMPARED TO COUNT DRACULA AND THE COUNT OF CAGLIOSTRO, THE COUNT OF SAINT GERMAIN...
IS PRETTY MINOR, RIGHT?
AH... THE ONE THING THAT'S BOTHERING THE COUNT THE MOST...
YOU'VE SAID IT.
AAHHH, YOU'VE SAID IT.
THE ONE THING THAT HURTS PEOPLE THE MOST.
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I JUST WASTED 2 MINUTES AND 36 SECONDS BEING DE-PRESSED!
THANKS TO YOUR HEART-LESS COM-MENT...
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FOR MY KIND, I WAS BEING HESITANT FOR AN ETERNITY.
YOU'RE RECOVER-ING PRETTY FAST!
ETERNALLY YOUNG AND IMMORTAL?
ISN'T THE COUNT OF SAINT GERMAIN ETERNALLY YOUNG AND IMMORTAL?
DON'T BE SO STINGY ABOUT TWO OR THREE MINUTES.
YOU'RE STILL YOU.
WHY ARE YOU BEING SO MOVED?
ETER-NALLY YOUNG AND IM-MORTAL
I DON'T KNOW HOW IT WORKS, BUT THAT SOUNDS GREAT.
AND YOUR CORPSE WILL ROT AWAY WITHOUT EVEN BEING FOUND.
THEN YOU'LL DIE IN SOME SMALL ROOM ALL ALONE...
IN THE FUTURE, YOU WON'T HAVE A JOB!

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THAT'S NO WORK AND ROTTEN DEATH*!
"THIS WORD IS PRONOUNCED FUROFUSHI IN JAPANESE THE SAME AS "ETERNALLY YOUNG AND IMMORTAL"
N... no work, rotten death
IT'S SUP-POSED TO BE MEAN!
DON'T SAY SOME-THING SMART.
SFX: SUPPRESSED LAUGHTER
WOULD YOU BE SO NICE AND STOP BEING SO STINGY ABOUT TIME WHEN YOU'RE ETERNALLY YOUNG AND IMMORTAL?
WOULD YOU BE SO NICE AND STOP WASTING TIME WITH PUNS THAT AREN'T EVEN FUNNY?
WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO STOP IMITATING THE WAY I TALK?
YOU DID LAUGH A BIT JUST NOW, DIDN'T YOU.
EXCUSE ME, BUT YOUR TIME...
WOULO YOU BE SO KIND AS TO STOP IMITATING THE WAY I TALK?
WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO STOP IMITATING THE WAY I TALK?
WOULD YOU BE SO KINO AS TO STOP IMITATING THE WAY I TALK?

AAH-HHH!!! I'M DYING AL-READY !!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THERE'S NO WAY YOU'D DIE, AREN'T YOU ETERNALLY YOUNG AND IMMORTAL?
...IT SEEMS THERE'S A BIG MIS-UNDER-STANDING.
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Normal people
WE FOUR-DIMENSIONERS CAN SIMPLY BE IN SEVERAL TIMES OF SEVERAL ERAS.
WE'RE NEITHER ETERNALLY YOUNG NOR IMMORTAL.
RATHER THAN THAT, IF YOU SUM UP THE TIME OF OUR EXISTENCE.

IT'S MUCH SHORTER THAN A HUMAN'S.
HUH?
IF YOU SUM IT ALL UP, IT'S AROUND 32,000,000 SECONDS.
OR, TO PUT IT IN A HUMAN'S SENSE OF TIME.
THAT'S OUR LIFE-SPAN.
ABOUT A YEAR.
WELL, WE...
...CALL IT LIFE TIME THOUGH.
JUST
ONE YEAR...

YOU CAN ONLY LIVE FOR A YEAR?
ARE YOU PITYING ME NOW?
HOWEVER, THAT'S A MISTAKE.
LET'S SAY THAT, IN FRONT OF YOU HUMANS
THERE APPEARED A RACE THAT COULD LIVE 1000 YEARS.
YOU'D THINK, "WOW, THEY LIVE A REALLY LONG TIME"
BUT YOU WOULDN'T THINK OF YOURSELVES AS SHORT-LIVED, WOULD YOU
IT'S THE SAME.
WE DON'T PITY OURSELVES.
IT'S JUST THAT, SEEN FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW...
PEOPLE LIKE YOU..
WHO WASTE ALL THIS TIME, ARE WHAT WE...

REALLY LOVE!!
REALLY HATE!!
SUCH A RICH PERSON... THIS MAN MUST BE THE LEGENDARY TIME CELEBRITY.
HEY...
WHAT HE STOLE
NO, THIS PERSON DIDN'T STEAL MY TIME.
HE'S A TIME THIEF, YOU KNOW.
THAT GUY STOLE YOUR TIME.
HOW DO YOU EVEN KNOW THAT JOKE?
...WAS MY HEART.

I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER STEALING TIME OR HEARTS THOUGH.
YOU DON'T EVEN REMEMBER MY LITTLE SISTER?
IT'S NOT IMPOS-SIBLE, I WAS YOUNG BACK THEN.
THIS IS ME TWO WEEKS AGO.
ISN'T THAT A LITTLE-
AH.
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HEY.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE?
I'M COUNTING HOW MANY WATER DROPS FALL INTO MY MOUTH UNTIL IT'S FULL OF THEM.
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You could use time like that.
I didn't know
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PAID HOLIDAY
GO AHEAD GIRRL
WOULD YOU MIND IF I HAD A TRY, TOO?
IT WAS JOB TRAINING.
IT'S NOT POINT-LESS.
WHY ARE YOU DOING POINTLESS THINGS LIKE THAT?
WHAT, YOU ASK...
WHAT KIND OF JOB TRAINING IS THAT?
BUT I DO WANT TO WORK, YOU KNOW.
MAGO, YOU CALLED ME "NO WORK, ROTTEN DEATH" BEFORE.

NAMELY, ANTI-AGING MAKE-UP.
IT'S FOR A JOB WHERE ALL YOU DO IS WATCH SOME-THING.
HOW IS THAT EFFEC-TIVE?
THAT'S A REALLY EFFECTIVE WAY TO USE YOUR TIME
SO I COUNTED HOW MANY DROPS IT TAKES FOR MY MOUTH TO BE FULL
AND IF ALL YOU DO IS WATCH SOMETHING, IT'S A WASTE OF TIME
YES.
AH...
Weather Forecas
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AND THEN IT WAS CLEAR SKYIES FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS.
I THOUGHT I'D COME BACK WHEN THEY STARTED FALLING AGAIN, SO I WENT HOME
WELL, AFTER THAT, IT CLEARED UP AND THE DROPS STOPPED FALLING DOWN.
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU.
THAT'S RIGHT SUGURU-SAMA
...WAITING FOR THE WATER DROPS TO FALL DOWN.
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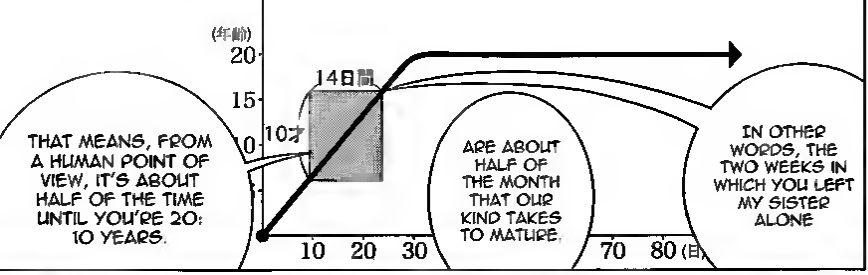
I STAYED THERE ALL THAT TIME...

MY MOUTH WAS FULL AFTER 4516 DROPS!
IT WAS 4516 DROPS!
※ THERE ARE INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES
BUT HOW DID SHE GET THAT BIG WHEN SHE WAS A LITTLE GIRL BACK THEN?
THAT'S NOTHING TO SAY THANK YOU FOR!!
I SEE, THANK YOU!
IS THIS SIMILAR TO HOW A DOG GROWS OR WHAT?
THEN, WE STAY THE SAME UNTIL WE DIE.
OUR KIND MATURES IN A MONTH AFTER WE'RE BORN.
AND WENT HOME WHEN SHE FOUND SHE COULDN'T GET ALONG WITH HUMAN TIME.
SHE PROBABLY WAS ONE OF OUR KIND.
I THINK IT MIGHT HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN ABOUT ONE MONTH.
THEY SAY SHE MATURED IN JUST THREE MONTHS
I'M SURE YOU KNOW THE LEGEND OF PRINCESS KAGUYA.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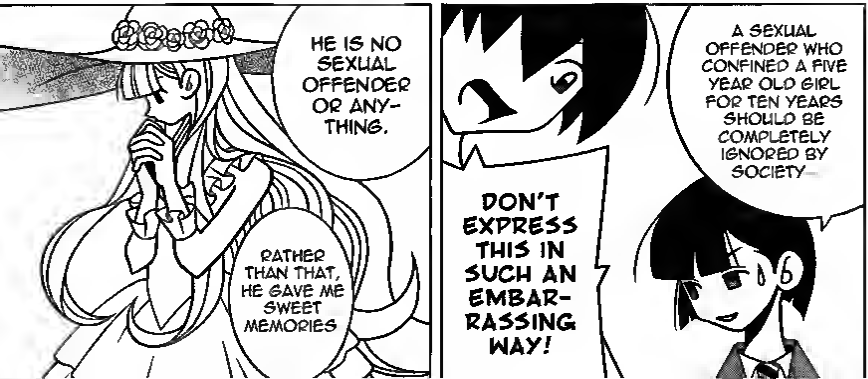
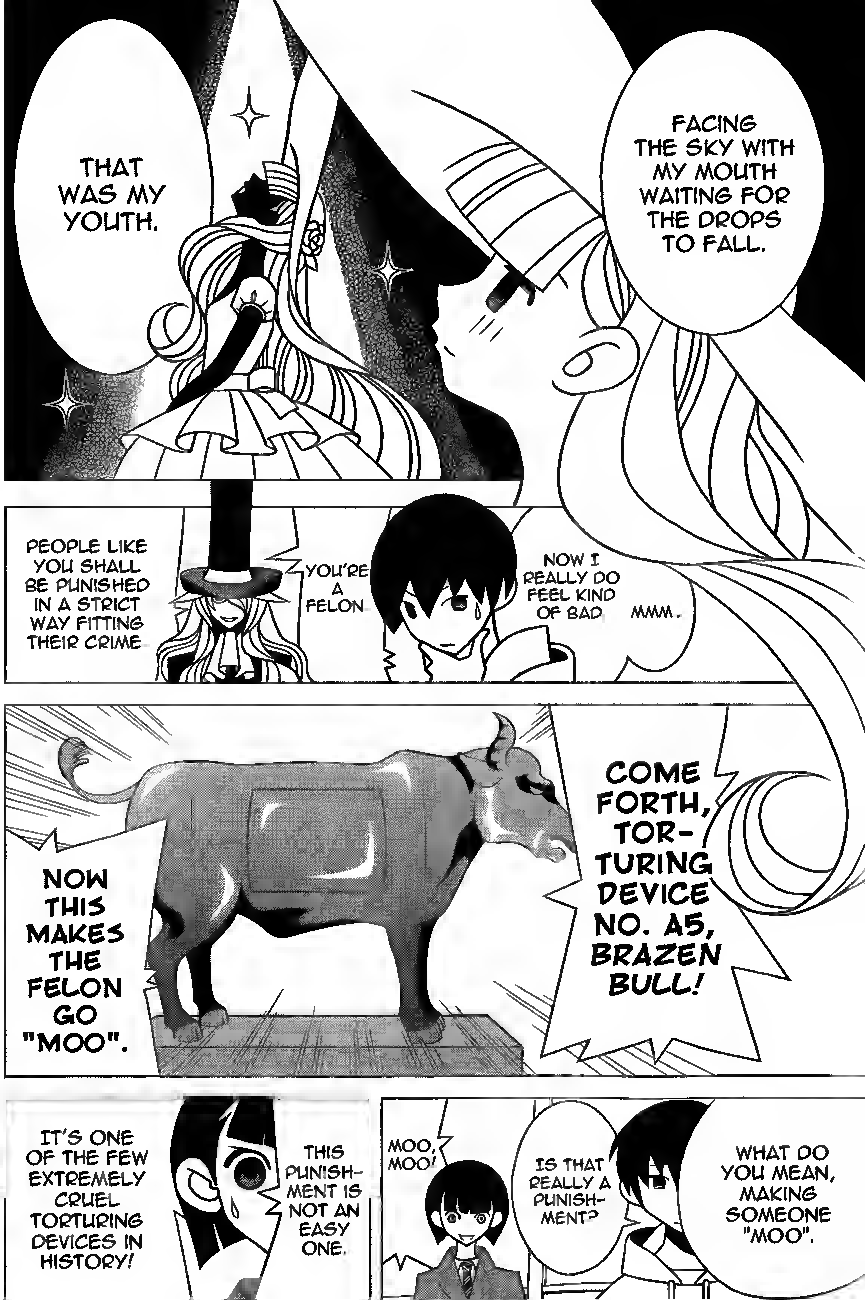
THAT MEANS, FROM A HUMAN POINT OF VIEW, IT'S ABOUT HALF OF THE TIME UNTIL YOU'RE 20: 10 YEARS.
ARE ABOUT HALF OF THE MONTH THAT OUR KIND TAKES TO MATURE.
IN OTHER WORDS, THE TWO WEEKS IN WHICH YOU LEFT MY SISTER ALONE

SHE USED TO CONTINUE COLLECTING RAINDROPS BECAUSE OF YOU!
THE EMO-TIONAL GIRL ERA FROM ABOUT FIVE YEARS TO 15 YEARS...

AH... IT'S NO GOOD, I HAVE NO WAY TO DEFEND HIM.
NO IT'S A FALSE ACCUSA-TION
DO YOU UNDER-STAND HOW HEAVY YOUR CRIME IS? YOU TIME THIEF


HE IS NO SEXUAL OFFENDER OR ANY-THING.
RATHER THAN THAT, HE GAVE ME SWEET MEMORIES
DON'T EXPRESS THIS IN SUCH AN EMBAR-RASSING WAY!
A SEXUAL OFFENDER WHO CONFINED A FIVE YEAR OLD GIRL FOR TEN YEARS SHOULD BE COMPLETELY IGNORED BY SOCIETY—


FACING THE SKY WITH MY MOUTH WAITING FOR THE DROPS TO FALL.
THAT WAS MY YOUTH.
NOW I REALLY DO FEEL KIND OF BAD MMM.
YOU'RE A FELON
PEOPLE LIKE YOU SHALL BE PUNISHED IN A STRICT WAY FITTING THEIR CRIME
COME FORTH, TOR-TURING DEVICE NO. A5, BRAZEN BULL!
NOW THIS MAKES THE FELON GO "MOO".
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MAKING SOMEONE "MOO".
IS THAT REALLY A PUNISH-MENT?
MOO, MOO!
THIS PUNISH-MENT IS NOT AN EASY ONE.
IT'S ONE OF THE FEW EXTREMELY CRUEL TORTURING DEVICES IN HISTORY!

YOU PUT A PERSON IN THE STO-MACH...
...OF A BULL MADE OUT OF BRASS AND LIGHT A FIRE BELOW.
IF YOU DO SO, THE SUFFERING GROANS OF THE PERSON INSIDE THE STATUE WILL SOUND LIKE THE CRIES OF A COW.
LET'S LEAVE ASIDE WHY YOU'RE SO EXCITED ABOUT THIS. SO IF YOU DO THAT...
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MOO! MOO! MOO! MOO! MOO!
YOU'LL DIE AFTER A PAINFUL STRUGGLE.
YOU WON'T JUST SIMPLY DIE.
I'LL DIE, YOU SAY?
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AL-RIGHT
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NOW IT'S TIME TO BURN YOU UP... OPEN IT!
DID YOU ALREADY BURN SOME-BODY INSIDE!?

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HUH?
LET'S GO HOME
SO IT WAS A BAKERY AFTER ALL.

HOW, INDEED?
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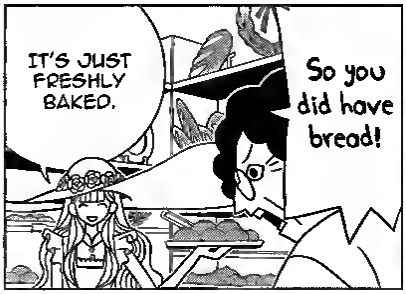
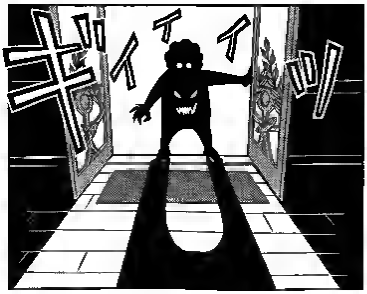
HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?


IT'S JUST FRESHLY BAKED.
So you did have bread!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